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## Cattle on Feed

**Iowa:** There were 1,304,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on December 1, 2009, up 6 percent from November 1, 2009 and up 2 percent from December 1, 2008. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 560,000 head on feed, up 4 percent from last month and up 12 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 744,000 head on feed, up 7 percent from last month, but down 5 percent from last year.

Placements during November totaled 265,000 head, up 5 percent from last month and up 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 108,000 head, down 12 percent from last month, but up 17 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 157,000 head. This is up 21 percent from last month and up 8 percent from last year.

Marketings for November were 191,000 head, down 11 percent from last month, but up 14 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 85,000 head, down 15 percent from last month, but up 13 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 106,000 head,

down 8 percent from last month, but up 14 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 5,000 head.

**United States:** Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.3 million head on December 1, 2009. The inventory was 1 percent below December 1, 2008.

Placements in feedlots during November totaled 1.85 million, 8 percent below 2008. For the month of November, placements were the second lowest since the series began in 1996. Net placements were 1.78 million head. During November, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 510,000, 600-699 pounds were 565,000, 700-799 pounds were 395,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 375,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during November totaled 1.63 million, 4 percent above 2008. For the month of November, fed cattle marketings were the third lowest since the series began in 1996.

Other disappearance totaled 66,000 during November, 1 percent below 2008.

### All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>
Cattle on Feed, November 1, 2009	540	695	1,235
November Placements	108	157	265
November Marketings	85	106	191
November Other Disappearance	3	2	5
Cattle on Feed, December 1, 2009	560	744	1,304

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month,  
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots <sup>1</sup>**

State	Cattle on Feed December 1			Placements during November			Marketings during November			November Disappearance other than Slaughter <sup>2</sup>		
	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08	2008	2009	'09 as % of '08
	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>1,000 Head</i>	<i>Percent</i>
AZ	359	282	79	26	26	100	28	22	79	1	1	100
CA	495	465	94	48	50	104	50	53	106	3	2	67
CO	1,010	1,060	105	185	165	89	130	140	108	5	5	100
ID	225	215	96	65	45	69	49	39	80	1	1	100
<b>IA</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>150</b>
KS	2,310	2,330	101	405	355	88	310	340	110	15	15	100
NE	2,380	2,410	101	440	400	91	355	380	107	15	10	67
NM	168	(D)	(D)	21	(D)	(D)	23	(D)	(D)	2	(D)	(D)
OK	335	375	112	69	57	83	52	53	102	2	4	200
SD	220	235	107	57	67	118	35	35	100	2	2	100
TX	2,810	2,760	98	510	455	89	395	405	103	15	20	133
WA	169	172	102	36	47	131	29	29	100	1	1	100
Oth Sts <sup>3</sup>	365	418	(X)	62	70	(X)	44	50	(X)	3	2	(X)
US	11,346	11,282	99	2,016	1,845	92	1,575	1,631	104	67	66	99

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Comparison to 2008 is not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

<sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

<sup>3</sup> Includes unpublished New Mexico totals for 2009.

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